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Military Information from Glauchau

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EVALUATION

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DATE OF CONTENT

9 to 13 January 1953

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From 9 to 13 January 1953, the Friedrich August Kaserne and the Hindenburg Kaserne in Glauchau were occupied as previously by about 500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. Source did not see any heavy weapons. However on 13 January, [] saw fresh imprints of tank treads. The canvas-covered armored vehicles previously seen near building No 22 were no longer there. Between 10 a.m. and noon on 9 January, about 150 troops wearing padded coats were sweeping snow and cleaning the area near the garages. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. on 13 January, about 50 to 100 soldiers were seen working in and near the garages. More than half of the windows of the quarters were lighted after nightfall. Two apartment houses for officers were annexed to the installation and were surrounded by a board fence, about 3 meters high. []

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Comment. As no comparable information by [] has been obtained since mid-1952, the correctness of the strength figures continually reported by source cannot be verified. The strength of the 220th Hv Tank SP Regt of the Eighth Gds Army stationed there is estimated at about 1,000 troops. Confirmed information indicated that a unit from Glauchau has been transferred to the Panzer Kaserne in Gera-Linz in early December 1952. It is not known, however, which unit of the Eighth Gds Army was concerned.

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